

THE PARAGRAPHERS

There's just one glimmer of cheer for Mr. Archibald—nobody hereafter will ever request him to mail a letter.—Boston Transcript.

If Germany doesn't finally get her place in the sun she will undoubtedly be able to manufacture a chemical substitute.—New York Evening Sun.

The author of that song, "Hello, Central, give me heaven," wasn't such a fantastic dreamer after all.—Boston Transcript.

Now that the Balkans are arming, we wouldn't be a bit surprised if Italy decided to get into this war.—Columbia State.

Anyway, it was thoughtful of Greece not to call back her reservists until the end of the straw hat cleaning season.—New York Herald.

Naturally, the Germans will claim that the victory has been magnified at Lens.—Boston Transcript.

Captain von Papen says when he wrote "Idiotic Yankees" he simply meant a lot of New York editors. All is forgiven.—Buffalo Enquirer.

If the Republicans want an active candidate for the presidency of 1916, what is the matter with Governor Spry, of Utah?—Los Angeles Times.

Now that Ty Cobb has attempted to steal third with the bases full it should be possible to find him a winter job in the diplomatic service—Grand Rapids Press.

Another glaring indiscretion of Consul-General T. St. John Gaffney not yet officially commented upon is in not being a deserving Democrat.—Boston Transcript.

French troops have had their pay raised to five cents a day. But few of them are praying

that the job will last long enough so they can buy a farm.—New York Evening Sun.

Our article on the "Unspeakable Jail" in the last issue has already borne fruit. The wife of a sheriff in charge of a western jail has presented the prisoners with a parrot.—(United States Penitentiary) Good Words.

HE WOULD DO ANYTHING ONCE

There was a man who fancied that by driving good and fast

He'd get his car across the track before the train came past.

He'd miss the engine by an inch, and make the train hands sore.

There was a man who fancied this; there isn't any more.

There was a man who thought that he could win a little bet

By quenching in some gasoline a lighted cigarette.

He thought the fluid, being wet, would douse the flames somehow.

There was a man who reasoned thus. He is not with us now.

There was a man, once on a time, who confidently swore

That he'd jump off the Brooklyn bridge and calmly swim to shore.

He said the thrill that he would get would prove extremely pleasant.

There was a man who held these views. There isn't at the present.

There was a man who, to his friends, would frequently declare

That he would strangle with his hands a hungry grizzly bear.

He spoke of hungry grizzlies with a fascinating sneer.

A man like this there was; but now he's gone away from here.

—New York American.

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